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Meets Ambassador of Czech Republic to India J&K on path of growth: LG Sinha



LG Manoj Sinha meeting Dr. Eliska Zigova, Ambassador of Czech Republic to India at Srinagar on Friday.

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday met Dr. Eliska Zigova, Ambassador of Czech Republic to India, at Raj Bhawan Srinagar.

Ambassador the investment potential of Jammu Kashmir in diverse sectors like Industries, Tourism, Start-ups, Handloom, Handicrafts, Food Processing, Agriculture & allied sectors.

He also spoke on the historic and transformative

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changes the UT of J&K is witnessing under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

"Jammu Kashmir is on the verge of becoming a notable success story among Indian states and a global model for socio-economic development," the Lt Governor said.

The Lt Governor invited Trade and Business Leaders from Czech Republic to explore the limitless opportunities that Jammu Kashmir has to offer.

He said the progressive reforms and futuristic policy interventions have positioned Jammu Kashmir as the pre-

ferred destination for the investors across the globe.

"Jammu Kashmir is set on a path of growth that will bring about momentous and historic changes. The government has taken decisive and bold measures to remove barriers obstructing

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BJP strategies for J&K Assembly Polls



Union Minister G Kishan Reddy along with senior BJP leaders during meeting in Jammu.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Union Minister G Kishan Reddy, in charge of BJP's election strategy for Jammu and Kashmir, declared on Friday that the party is fully prepared for assembly polls whenever they are scheduled.

Reddy's statement opened a two-day state working committee conclave aimed at strategizing for the upcoming elections in Jammu and Kashmir. This conclave follows a high-level meeting in New Delhi, co-chaired by

Union Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP National President J.P. Nadda.

"I've come here for the first time. Post-Parliamentary elections, BJP is ready for the assembly elections whenever they are held," Reddy said to reporters at the party headquarters.

Flanked by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh, BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh, and state BJP chief Ravinder Raina, Reddy noted that the Modi government had propelled unprece-

dent development in Jammu & Kashmir, meeting the aspirations of its residents.

The minister also praised BJP's recent electoral victories and condemned family-based politics, hinting at the Congress Party's failure to secure any seats in the region.

Earlier, during the BJP's meeting of its office bearers on the 1st day of the 2-Day State Working Committee at Vaid Vishnu Dutt

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Over 20,000 pilgrims visit Amarnath Shrine, total crosses 1.50 lakh

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: More than 20,000 pilgrims paid obeisance at the Amarnath cave shrine on Friday, taking the number of devotees who have had 'darshan' of the naturally formed ice lingam so far over 1.50 lakh, officials here said.

Over 1,700 security personnel, one transgender person and 275 children also performed the pilgrimage.

With this, the number of pilgrims who have visited the 3,800-metre-high cave shrine in the south Kashmir Himalayas has now reached 1,51,946, the officials said.

Meanwhile, a fresh batch of 6,900 pilgrims left for the cave shrine of Amarnath in south Kashmir Himalayas this morning, officials said.

The eight batch of pilgrims left the Bhagwati-Nagar Yatri Niwas in 277 vehicles for the twin base camps

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CS lays out steps to create enabling ecosystem for promotion of skill development

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, on Friday held a meeting with Vice Chancellor Shri Vishwakarma Skill University (SVSU), Haryana, Dr Raj Nehru, specially invited to share his knowledge and expertise regarding establishment of SVSU besides discussing the ways and means of nurturing skill environment in Jammu and Kashmir.

Present in the meeting were Secretary, Skill Development Department (SDD), MD, Skill Development Mission, Director, SDD, Labour



Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo chairing a meeting at Srinagar.

Commissioner, Secretary, Technical Board and other concerned officers while Jammu based officers participated virtually.

Chief Secretary laid stress

on vigorous promotion of skill development in the UT by creating an enabling ecosystem. He elucidated the broad steps to be taken in anticipation of making the environ-

ment feasible for flourishing skill development in the region. In order to make any such academic or vocational pursuit successful it is imperative for the administration to first create genuine platform for it in the shape of necessary policies and regulations governing it, he added.

Atal Dulloo said that the same should be followed by establishment of model institutions imparting training or education in this trade or vocation. He added that it is the outcome of these institutions that prepare ground

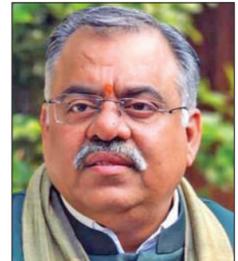
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Chugh reappointed BJP observer for J&K, Ladakh

STATE TIMES NEWS
CHANDIGARH: BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh has been re-nominated as the party observer for Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.

Expressing his gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and party National President JP Nadda for it, Chugh said he would rededicate himself to work more hard for the party and popularise the policies and vision of the Prime Minister in J&K.

He said J&K has turned a new leaf in the all-round progress and development. Due to various development



and welfare schemes launched by the prime minister the age of terrorism has been replaced by new age of tourism. People in J&K and Ladakh are seeing new hope in the BJP, he added.

Amritpal posted as Comdt IR-2nd Bn, Randeep SSP Rajouri

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Government on Friday transfers two Senior Superintendents of Police (SSPs).

According to the order issued by Chandraker Bharti, Principal Secretary Home, Department, Amritpal Singh, IPS, (AGMUT-2014), Senior Superintendent of Police, Rajouri, has been transferred and posted as Commandant IR-2nd Bn, vice Randeep Kumar, JKPS, who has been posted as Senior Superintendent of Police, Rajouri.

Modi congratulates Keir Starmer on 'remarkable victory' in UK elections

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday congratulated Labour Party leader Keir Starmer on his party's landslide win in the UK general elections and said he looked forward to their positive and constructive collaboration

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WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 34.3°C Min: 27.5°C

Humidity
Max: 80 Min: 65

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 34.2°C Min: 22.8°C

Humidity
Max: 69 Min: 41

Sunset : 19:42 Hours
Sunrise : 05:28 Hours

Five J&K Police personnel awarded Shaurya Chakra

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: For the first time in the history of Jammu and Kashmir Police, five Shaurya Chakras have been bestowed upon five JKP officers and Personnel for their courage and bravery while serving the nation.

The President of India, Droupadi Murmu, conferred the Shaurya Chakra upon SgCt. Saif Ullah Qadri (posthumously), DySP (now SP) Mohan Lal, SI Amit Raina, SI Feroz Ahmed and Ct Varun Singh of Jammu and Kashmir Police at Rashtrapati Bhavan on Friday. President also conferred Shaurya Chakra on VDC member Parshotam



Kumar of Rajouri. While lauding the courage and bravery of these gallant officers DGP, J&K,

R.R.Swain congratulated them and their families. In his message the DGP J&K has said that the brave offi-

cers and officials have brought honour and glory to the JKP parivar with

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CJ emphasises importance of upholding justice, promoting legal literacy, empowering legal fraternity

STATE TIMES NEWS
KULGAM: Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice N Kotiswar Singh on Friday emphasized the importance of upholding justice, promoting legal literacy and empowering the legal fraternity to serve society effectively.

Interacting with the lawyers, after inaugurating the Lawyers Chambers and Library-cum-Reading room, at Munsiff Court Complex, D.H.Pora along with Administrative Judge for district Kulgam, Justice Sanjay Dhar, the Chief Justice expressed deep satisfaction over the work done by the executing agency.

He emphasized upon the lawyers to make best use of



CJ N Kotiswar Singh during his visit to Kulgam on Friday.

the infrastructural facilities which are being provided to them from time to time so that the benefit of these milestones should reach to the seekers of Justice especially marginalised people.

During the insightful interaction, Justice Sanjay Dhar, Administrative Judge of District Kulgam, provided

guidance on effective case management, stating "Efficiency is vital in expediting justice". As judicial officers and public prosecutors, we must strive for excellence in our responsibilities, while maintaining the highest standards of integrity and impartiality."

The visit of the Chief

Justice and Justice Sanjay Dhar underscores judiciary's commitment towards engaging with local communities, promoting legal awareness, and supporting educational initiatives. It is a testament to their dedication towards upholding the principles of justice and strengthening the legal and educational infrastructure in the region.

Meanwhile, the Chief Justice and the Administrative Judge also attended a cultural event hosted by the Eklavya Model Residential School Tangmarg Aharbal.

Justice Kotiswar Singh highlighted the importance of education and law for the students while recommending them to read Constitution of India which

ACB registers case against JE, JSD Poonch on corruption charges

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: J&K Anti Corruption Bureau on Friday registered a case against Dil Pazeer, Junior Engineer (JE) posted in Jal Shakti Department (JSD), Division Poonch for allegedly accumulating assets disproportionate to his known source of income.

The instant case under FIR no. 04/2024 PS ACB Rajouri U/s 13(1)(b) r/w section 13(2) Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018) was registered on the outcome of a verification conducted by ACB into the allegations of

accumulation of assets disproportionate to known source of income by above named accused person.

The verification conducted revealed that the accused has accumulated various moveable and immovable assets in his name as well as in the name of his family members, which included three houses situated near Govt. PG College Kheora Rajouri having market value worth in crores, double storey house constructed on plot No. 10N Gujjar Colony Sunjwan Jammu, having market value worth in lakhs and a vehicle Scorpio S-11 bearing No.

JK11F-5433 (Make 2022) with date of registration as April 12, 2022. Besides, the public servant as well as his family members are also in possession of other properties.

"In this way, the above named public servant namely Dil Pazeer; Junior Engineer, posted in Jal Shakti Department Division Poonch, son of Late Mohd. Sadeeq, resident of Dodasan Bala has enriched himself illicitly by indulging in corrupt practices which prima facie attract commission of offence under section

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BSE, Police carry out searches in Kathua village over suspicion of cross-border tunnel



STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Security personnel carried out a search operation after a person suspected the presence of a cross-border tunnel under his agricultural land in a village near the international border (IB) in Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district on Friday, officials said.

The BSF troops along with local police are digging at the

spot to determine whether a tunnel exists.

A farmer from Thangli village in the Hiranagar belt noticed that water being channelled to his farmland was going into a small trench, suspecting it might be a cross-border tunnel, the official said.

The villager informed the police and BSF, who

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